

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The claims in this listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ A process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide, ~~characterized in that comprising subjecting~~ an alkaline extract of the ~~an~~ original reaction mixture of the ~~a~~ last phase in the synthesis of torasemide ~~is subjected~~ to controlled acidifying with inorganic or organic acid by continuous addition of said acid at room temperature or about it room temperature.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the modification I of torasemide is chemically pure.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the modification I of torasemide contains less than 0.5 % of water.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the modification I contains remaining solvents within pharmacopeic limits.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that for the preparation of wherein~~ the alkaline extract of the original reaction mixture of the last phase in the synthesis of torasemide is prepared with a water solutions solution of lithium, sodium and or potassium hydroxide, and a water solutions solution of sodium and or potassium carbonate are used.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that for wherein the~~ acidifying the alkaline extract of the original reaction mixture of the last phase in the synthesis of torasemide comprising acidifying with inorganic acids ~~such as hydrochloric, sulfuric, phosphoric and nitric acids or organic acids such as formic, acetic, propionic, oxalic, tartaric, methanesulfonic or p-toluenesulfonic acid~~ are used.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that for wherein the~~ acidifying the alkaline extract of the original reaction mixture of the last phase in the synthesis of comprises acidifying with carbon dioxide ~~is used~~.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the acidifying is carried out up to a pH from about 8.5 to about 5.0.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the acidifying is carried out up to a pH from about 7.5 to about 7.0.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the acidifying is carried out at a stirrer rate from 10 r/min to 300 r/min.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the acidifying is carried out within 5 minutes to 24 hours.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the acidifying is carried out without avoiding high local acid concentrations.

13. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a suspension obtained after acidifying and reaching ~~the~~ a desired pH is stirred from 10 minutes to 240 minutes.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 13, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the suspension obtained after acidifying and reaching the desired pH is stirred at a temperature from 0 °C to 50 °C.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process for the preparation of modification I of torasemide according to claim 14, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the suspension obtained after acidifying and reaching the desired pH is stirred at room temperature.